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SUBJ: COMMERCIAL PRESENCE FAIR (CPF) DAMASCUS JULY 25-

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1. FOLLOWING DRAFTED AFTER HAMMOND/RTDO-LEFEAVER/ECONOFF VISIT APRIL 8 TO DAMASCUS FAIRGROUNDS AND DISCUSSION WITH FAIR AUTHORITIES. BASIC TEXT SUBPARAS BELOW PROVIDED BY HAMMOND FOR ADAMS:

A. FAIR AUTHORITY HAS AGREED TO CONSTRUCT PAVILION 33 METERS (M) BY 33 M., WITH SIX METER CLEARANCE FLOOR TO BOTTOM OF ROOF BEAM.

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B. ORIENT BUILDING WITH ENTRANE AND EXIT IN NORTH

FACE OF BUILDING WITH SUPPORT COLUMNS ON THREE METER CENTERS, RUNNING NORTH AND SOUTH, AND 11 METER INTERVAL EAST AND WEST.

C. ROOF WILL BE SUPPORTED ON 70 CM SQUARE COLUMNS WHICH WILL BE THREE METERS ON CENTERS IN ONE DIRECTION AND 11 METERS ON CENTERS IN OTHER DIRECTION.

D. FAIR AUTHORITY WILL SUPPLY ONLY INCIDENTAL LIGHTING.

E. FAIR AUTHORITY REQUESTS THAT WE SPECIFY LOCATION FOR ELECTRIC INLET, WATER POINT AND SANITARY FACILITIES (AUTHORITY AGREES TO SUPPLY TWO TOILETS AND TWO WASH BASINS).

F. REQUEST ADAMS MAKE PRELIMINARY LAYOUT FOR 32 BOOTHS IN BEST CONFIGURATION FOR LOCKED TRAFFIC PATTERNS KEEPING IN MIND THAT CAIRO A-2 SYSTEM HAS FACIA BOARDS FOR 24 THREE-BY-FOUR BOOTHS AND 16 THREE-BY-FIVE BOOTHS.

2. EMBASSY/USIS THINKING RE USIS "ON THE FRONTIER" EXHIBIT TO BE SHOWN DURING FAIR (USIA 6489) IS THAT IT BE LOCATED AT REAR OF PAVILION AGAINST SOUTH WALL, TAKING AROUND TWO BY FIFTEEN OR TWENTY METERS SPACE. EMBASSY REQUESTS ADAMS ALSO TAKE THIS SPACE INTO CONSIDERATION IN PREPARING PRELIMINARY LAYOUT AS NOTED IN PARA 1-F ABOVE. PELLETREAU

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